

CLAIMS

1. A security checkpoint comprising:
a transport device; and
at least one checkpoint module contained on said transport, the module comprising:
an item screening area including an input area that receives an item deposited by a person, an item screening device that screens the item, and a output area that returns the item to the person after completion of a first and a second personal screenings, and
a personal screening area positioned adjacent to the item screening area, the person entering the personal screening area after depositing the item in the input area, the personal screening area performing a first personal screening to determine whether to perform a second personal screening, the person leaving the personal screening area and retrieving the item from the output area in a substantially straight path if the second personal screening is not performed.
2. The security checkpoint of claim 1 further comprising an enclosure, the enclosure being physically separated from the item screening area and the personal screening area, wherein the person leaves the personal screening area and enters the enclosure if the first personal screening indicates a need to perform a second personal screening, the second personal screening occurring in the enclosure.
3. The security checkpoint of claim 2, wherein the enclosure includes an exit, and the exit is positioned proximately to the output area in the item screening area.
4. The security checkpoint of claim 3, wherein the item screening area comprises an extension connecting the item screening device and the output area.
5. The security checkpoint of claim 2, wherein the enclosure comprises a substantially transparent planer surface.

6. The security checkpoint of claim 2, wherein the enclosure comprises an entry area in which a queue may form if the enclosure is full.

7. The security checkpoint of claim 2 further comprising a small item screening device that assists in the second personal screening.

8. The security checkpoint of claim 2, wherein the enclosure further comprises a wandering footpad that guides the person to a proper position for the second personal screening.]

9. A mobile security checkpoint comprising:

an item screening device, said item screening device scanning one or more of a person's items, said item screening device including an input end for inserting said items and an output end for receiving the items from the item screening device;

a personal screening device for screening the person, wherein the personal screening device produces an alarm if the personal screening device detects a need for further screening of the person; and

a transport for containing and moving said item screening device and said personal screening device.

10. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 9 further comprising an enclosure for holding the person for further screening if the personal screening device produces an alarm, wherein the enclosure is physically separated from the personal screening device and the item screening device.

11. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 10, wherein the enclosure is surrounded by a wall comprising support beams and planer wall units fastened to the support beams.

12. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 11, wherein said planer wall units are substantially transparent and wherein the person, when in the enclosure, can view the item in the item screening device.

13. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 11, wherein the enclosure includes an entry area and wherein the entry area is adapted to allow for formation of a queue for entering the enclosure.

14. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 13, wherein the entry area is adapted to allow two people may join the queue before filling the entry area.

15. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 11, wherein an exit to the enclosure is positioned to allow the person to leave the enclosure and collect items from the item screening device without traveling upstream against other people.

16. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 15, wherein the item screening device includes an extender that positions the item leaving the item screening device next to the enclosure exit.

17. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 10, wherein the enclosure comprises an entrance, wherein the entrance is positioned proximately to the personal screening device.

18. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 10, wherein the item screening device, the personal screening device, and the enclosure are configured such that, if the personal screening device does not produce an alarm, the person may place the item into the item screening device, pass through the personal screening device, and retrieve the item from the item screening device in a substantially straight path.

19. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 10, wherein the enclosure is configured for simultaneously screening of two people.
20. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 10 further comprising a small item screening device, said small item screening device positioned to receive and screen personal items from the enclosure.
21. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 9 further comprising an entrance in the transport, the entrance being configured to direct people to the personal screening device.
22. A mobile security checkpoint comprising:
 - an item screening means for scanning items;
 - a personal screening means for screening a person, wherein the personal screening means produces an alarm to indicate a need for further screening of the person; and
 - a transport means for containing and moving said item screening means and said personal screening means.
23. The mobile security checkpoint of claim 22 further comprising an enclosure means for holding the person for further screening if the personal screening means produces an alarm, wherein the enclosure means is physically separated from the personal screening means and the item screening means.